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## First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

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Sir:

Listed on accompanying IDS Forms, PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B, are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. This First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 1, 2006, in connection with the above-captioned application.

Copies of documents FP3-FP8 and NPL3-NPL9 are submitted. However, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), copies of U.S. patent and patent application publications, documents US3 to US36, cited on the attached IDS Form, PTO/SB/08A, are not submitted.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3), Applicants' undersigned representative submits the following discussion of the relevance of the non-English language documents FP3 to FP7 cited on Form PTO/SB/08A:

Document FP3, EP 0 341 489 A1, is in the foreign language. An English language abstract of document FP3 is believed to be document US7.

Document FP4, EP 0 482 349 A2, is in the foreign language. An English language equivalent of document FP4 is believed to be document US11.

Document **FP5**, WO 97/03980 A1, is in the foreign language. An English language equivalent of document **FP5** is believed to be document **FP8**.

Document **FP6**, WO 97/16449 A1, is in the foreign language. An English language equivalent of document FP6 is believed to be document **US29**.

Document **FP7**, WO 98/24787 A1, is in the foreign language. An English language equivalent of document FP7 is believed to be document **US30**.

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